

### NEPARC 2005: Annual Meeting Draft Agenda Biden Environmental Education Center

Biden Environmental Education Center Cape Henlopen State Park, Delaware August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005

# August 23<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday afternoon)

| 11:30 -1:00 | Registration  |
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| 1:00 - 1:30 | Welcome – by Holly Niederriter (DNREC) our meeting host                 |
|             | and NEPARC co-chairs: Scott Smith (MD-DNR) and Linda                    |
|             | Weir (USGS).  |
|             | What is NEPARC/PARC?  |
|             | <ul> <li>Introductions around the room</li> </ul>                       |
| 1:30 - 1:45 | National PARC – Ernie Garcia (PARC Federal Coordinator)                 |
| 1:45 - 2:45 | Updates on ongoing NEPARC projects:                                     |
|             | <ul><li>Herp Regs – Al Breisch (NY-DEC)</li></ul>                       |
|             | <ul> <li>Risk Assessment – Priya Nanjappa (USGS)</li> </ul>             |
|             | <ul> <li>Education project – Stafford Madison (US-EPA)</li> </ul>       |
|             | <ul> <li>Habitat Management Guidelines – Joe Mitchell (U. of</li> </ul> |
|             | Richmond)   |
|             | <ul> <li>Model Land Use Guidelines – Liz Johnson (American</li> </ul>   |
|             | Museum of Natural History)  |
|             | <ul> <li>Forestry Certification Standards – Scott Smith</li> </ul>      |
| 2:45 - 3:00 | Comprehensive Wildlife Plans - Al Breisch                               |
| 3:00 - 3:30 | Break   |
| 3:30 - 4:00 | Iridoviruses of chelonians and other emerging                           |
|             | pathogens of reptiles and amphibians - April Johnson                    |
|             | (University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine)                 |
| 4:00 - 5:00 | Discussion with Holly as facilitator                                    |
| 6:00 - 7:00 | BBQ Dinner  |
| 7:00 - ?    | Field trip – Jim White (Delaware Nature Society) as leader,             |
|             | location ponds near park  |



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#### **August 24<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)**

| 7:30 - 8:30   | Breakfast  |
|---------------|--|
| 8:30 - 9:00   | Comprehensive Wildlife & Ranking - Al Breisch (NY-DEC) |
| 9:00 - 10:00  | Discussion with Al as facilitator                      |
| 10:00 - 10:15 | Break  |
| 10:15 - 10:45 | Conserving Box Turtles: we need to do more - Chris     |
|               | Swarth (Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, Maryland)          |
| 10:45 - 12:00 | Discussion with Holly as facilitator                   |
| 12:00 - 1:00  | Lunch  |
| 1:00 - 1:45   | Poster Session   |
| 1:45 - 2:15   | Mitigation measures to reduce highway mortality of     |
|               | turtles and other herpetofauna at Lake Jackson,        |
|               | Florida - Matt Aresco (Florida State University)       |
| 2:15 - 3:00   | <b>Discussion</b> with Linda as facilitator            |
| 3:00 - 3:30   | Break  |
| 3:30 - 4:15   | Discussion continues                                   |
| 4:15 - 5:00   | Action Items: setting tasks, assign, and due date      |
| 6:00 - 8:00   | Banquet with evening presentation:                     |

"Amphibian Brothels, Unpronounceable Plant Names and Whale Wallows: What the Heck is a Delmarva Bay?"

by

Jim White & Bill McAvoy

of

Delaware Nature Society and DREC, respectively



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# August 25<sup>th</sup> (Thursday morning)

| 7:30 - 8:30   | Breakfast  |
|---------------|--|
| 8:30 - 9:00   | Using GIS Technologies to Protect Vernal Pools and other Wetland Habitats in New Jersey - Dave Golden (N.J. DFW) |
| 9:00 - 10:00  | <b>Discussion</b> with Scott as facilitator  |
| 10:00 - 10:30 | Action Items: setting tasks, assign, and due date  |
| 10:30 - 10:45 | Break  |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | NEPARC business:   |
|               | <ul> <li>Election of new co-chair</li> </ul>   |
|               | <ul> <li>Likes/Dislikes of current meeting</li> </ul>  |
|               | <ul> <li>2006 NEPARC meeting location &amp; topic ideas</li> </ul>   |